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In re Application of:

JOHN BOTT et al.

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For: AUTOMATED IMMUNOASSAY APPARATUS WITH FLEXIBLE PICK-UP ARM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner of
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Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2005 for Two (2) months from August 6, 2005 to September 6, 2005.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$225.00 to cover the cost of the extension. The Commission is also hereby authorized to Deposit Account 03-1045 in case of deficiencies or overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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